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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), is a Continuation-In-Part application of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP98/05319 filed on November 26, 1998. The present application is filed on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

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For: METHOD FOR EXAMINING KIDNEY DISEASES

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Fourth-four (44) pages
- Four (4) sheet(s) of formal photos (color)
- An assignment of the invention
- Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 with International Search Report
- Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow

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- A statement (Original Photocopy) to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Sheet
- Priority of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP98/05319 filed on November 26, 1998 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.
- Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:
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- Priority of Application No. 9/323684 filed in Japan on November 26, 1997 is claimed under U.S.C. § 119.
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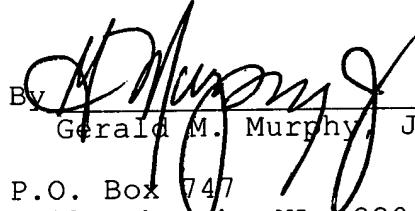
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The above information is submitted to advise the U.S.P.T.O. of all relevant facts in connection with the present application.

A timely executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow.

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